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PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR PLASMA)	

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 31, 2005

January 19, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SURFACE TREATMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2005, imposing an election of species requirement, Applicant elects species (i) – device consisting of a plasma generation means and a vibration sensor arranged to measure vibrations of the object being treated during the plasma treatment process – to which claim 27 corresponds. Applicant also believes that claims 44 to 48, which are dependent on claim 27, also belong to the elected species.

> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on January 19, 2006.

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Being filed herewith is a Request for Extension of Time of two months, together

with the small entity fee therefore. No additional extensions of time are believed to be

necessary, but if any are deemed to be due, please charge the fees therefore to Deposit

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Respectfully submitted,

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